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AVILA HAS GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY WITH . . .



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GROUNDBREAKING AT AVILA . . .

On Wednesday, January 17, 1973 groundbreaking ceremonies were held for the Goppert Theater/Borserine Nurse Education Center. This is the eighth of the nine planned buildings for the campus. The dual facility will house the permanent theater on the west side and the classrooms for the nurse education department on the east side. The facilities will share a common foyer.

The newest building is designed in contemporary lines and complements the other facilities on the fifty-acre campus with its brick and exposed concrete effects.

The building is being financed through a grant in the amount of \$274,240 under Title I of the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963, and a grant in the amount of \$402,911 under the Nurse Education Facilities Section, National Institute of Health. The balance of the financing



comes from private sources: alumni, students, parents, friends, businesses and corporations. Major donors are Mr. C. H. Goppert for whom the Goppert Theater is named, and Mrs. Kathleen Borserine for whom the Borserine Nurse Education Center is named.

The Goppert Theater will have a total of 24,288 square feet with a 500-seat theater, classrooms, offices for faculty and staff in theater, speech, and music; dressing rooms, wardrobe facilities, and practice rooms. The seating will be semi-circular and will provide intimate theater for its audiences. The complete light, stage, and sound system will offer Kansas Citians the finest theater in the area. Sister Felice Helmes, C.S.J. is Chairman of the Fine Arts Department; Sister M. de La Salle McKeon, C.S.J. is Coordinator of Music.

The Borserine Nurse Education Center will have 17,820 square feet and will provide classrooms, seminar areas, a learning center, and faculty offices. More than 270 students are enrolled currently in the baccalaureate degree program in nursing at Avila College. Miss Norma Lewis is Chairman of the Department of Nursing.

The new building will be located northeast of Blasco Hall, which houses the administrative offices and the temporary library; and convenient to Marian Center, which houses the student center, lounges and dining rooms. The theater has been in the original plans for the development of the new campus since 1963. It is the eighth building to be constructed and will be followed by the permanent library building, Bundschu Hall, in 1976.



The architect for this \$1,820,000 project is Sigfried Kuehn, Angus McCallum and Associates; general contractor, Bishop Construction Company.

During the groundbreaking ceremonies Sister Olive Louise, President of Avila, addressed the group talking about the new building and the realization of the theater building and the nurse education center; Mr. Alfred Blasco, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Avila, spoke, as did Mayor Charles Wheeler; Mrs. Velda McGarvey, President of the Women's Chamber of Commerce; Don Smith, First Vice President of the Chamber of Commerce; and Bishop Charles Helmsing, Bishop of Kansas City-St. Joseph Diocese.

The group attending the ceremonies and participating were the honoree Mr. C. H. Goppert, and Mr. Edwin Borserine, representing, Mrs. Kathleen Borserine. Students, Faculty, Staff, Alumni, Benefactors, and Friends of the college braved the wind to see the new building get underway.

After the ceremony and blessing of the ground by the Bishop, officials received the guests in the Alumni Lounge of Marian Center for refreshments. The estimated completion date for the new facility is March, 1974.





Paul DeBacco, member of the Avila College Board of Counselors, has been appointed Corporate Vice President — Personnel for Hallmark Cards, Inc. Mr. DeBacco has been Corporate Director of Personnel since 1968.

COMING EVENTS AT AVILA

As the new year begins important occasions coming up for Avila . . . *March 13, 1973* — Second Annual Harry S Truman Distinguished Lectures Series, with Father Paul Reinert as guest speaker. .

April 27, 1973 — Avila College Birthday Party, to be held at the Plaza Inn. George Gobel will be the featured entertainment this year, along with music and a concert by Sister Olive Louise.

Details of all events will be featured in the upcoming editions of the Avila College Magazine, but mark your calendar for these two important dates.

AVILA ART DEPARTMENT OPENS GALLERY

On December 14 the Art Department held open house for the new "Hole In The Wall Gallery", located in the lower level of Ridgway Hall.

The Gallery was built by students and faculty. The lighting, hanging and placing of the art pieces are all combined efforts of the students and faculty.

Until the 17th of February, the student art show is open to the public during the day and by appointment at other times.

Many of the works are for sale. All of them are worth a visit to the Gallery to see the fine work being done in the Avila Art Department. Sister Margaret Reinhart, Sister Colette Marie and Jim Craig were on hand along with the students to welcome the more than 100 people who visited the gallery on opening night.

If you haven't seen the "Hole In The Wall Gallery", stop in and take a tour. It is one of the finest little art galleries in the area.



Guests,
Students
and Faculty
at the Opening
of the
New Gallery
in early December.



HAPPINESS IS SERVING HAMBURGERS IN THE SNACK BAR AREA! At least that's what Nancy Scott's expression seems to indicate.



ALUMNI NEWS

WEDDINGS

CLASS '62

Margaret Ann Hagel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert F. Hagel, to James Francis Patrick Widmeier on December 29 at Redemptorist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '70

Diane Marie Dallavis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Dallavis and niece of Sister Olive Louise, C.S.J., Avila President, to Ralph Henry Rausch on November 24 at St. Cabrini Church, Springfield, Illinois.

Maria Ann Spaeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Linden

Spaeth, to Thomas Aquinas Murphy on December 30 at St. Agnes Church, Shawnee Mission, Kansas.

CLASS '71

Nancy Aylward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Aylward, to Thomas Laux on November 25 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '73

Victoria Louise Salsbury, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Salsbury, to Christopher Lee Watts on September 30 at Holy Cross Church, Overland Park, Kansas.

DEATHS

CLASS '22

Brother Josephus E. Reintjes, who observed his sixtieth anniversary as a Christian Brother, brother of Sister Mary Angela Reintjes, C.S.J., and Mr. George P. Reintjes, who gave the home and property on 52nd and Rockhill Road, until recently occupied by the Avila Learning Center, to Avila College, on December 8 in Chicago, Illinois.

CLASS '25

Mr. Herman Joseph Hodes, husband of Mrs. Herman J. Hodes (**Katherine Dierks**); father of Mrs. Martin E. Ismert, Jr. (**Katherine Hodes '48**), Mrs. Lawrence Gowney, Jr. (**Mary Louise Hodes '49**), Mrs. Gerald R. Ismert (**Elizabeth Hodes '50**), Mrs. John Donohue (**Margaret Ann Hodes '53**), Mrs. Hugh Patrick McCowen (**Dorothy Eugenia Hodes '60**), and **Miss Martha Hodes '61**; and father-in-law of Mrs. William D. Hodes (**Ann Madden '55**) and Mrs. Stephen A. Hodes (**Susan Maureen Sullivan '72**), on November 9 in Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '35

Mrs. Emily Boschert Shea, mother of Mrs. R. E. White (**Stella Shea**) and Mrs. Jack Pfister (**Helen Shea '40**), on December 9 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

CLASS '50

Mr. Roy Behm, father of Mrs. Larry H. Heinz (**Patricia Ann Behm**), on November 26 in Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '53

Mrs. Minnie Hoedl, mother-in-law of Mrs. Raymond Hoedl (**Gloria Manino**) on November 24 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Daniel Francis Stueve, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo (Corky) Stueve (**Molle Demarais**) and grandnephew of Sister Margaret Reinhart, C.S.J., Avila art professor and coordinator, on October 17 in Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '56

Mrs. Cora Ellen Burke, mother-in-law of Mrs. Kenneth T. Burke (**Vernice Burke**), on November 20 in Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '60

Judge Henry A. Riederer, father of Mrs. H. Dastoor (**Barbara Riederer**) and **Elizabeth Riederer '64**, on October 21 in Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '62

Mrs. Robert Cadieu (**Mary Frances Lynch**) on October 26 at La Grange, Illinois.

CLASS '65

Mr. Ambrose A. Tiehen, Jr., father of Mrs. R. Joseph Schloegel (**Diane Tiehen**), on November 7 on vacation in the Caribbean.

Mr. Patrick J. Trompeter, brother-in-law of Mrs. Lawrence Trompeter (**Judith Schuepbach**), on October 30 in Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '68

Mr. William H. McNelly, father of Mrs. Lloyd Weller (**Eleanor McNelly**), on October 30 in Kansas City, Missouri.

BIRTHS

CLASS '55

Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Hughes, III (**Rose Mary Schultz**), a son, Timothy Michael, on March 31 in St. Petersburg, Florida.

CLASS '57

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Heilman (**Shirley Marie Fowler**), a son, Thomas Patrick, on November 4 in Kansas City, Missouri.

CLASS '62

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Theron Elliot, (**Alyce Marie Soptick**), a daughter, Alyson Elizabeth, on July 11 in Shawnee Mission, Kansas.

CLASS '66

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walter Kiefer (**Dolores Ann Mittelstadt**), a son, James Richard, on November 8 in Kansas City, Missouri.